

Summer Youth Camps

As advertising for the Summer Youth Camps reaches the various churches, it is our hope that the pastors will add that necessary "plug" which will put across the idea of Youth Camp to the people of their church, and especially to the youth who are eligible to attend. What the pastor says about Youth Camp goes a long way in determining the attitude of his people toward it. If our pastors will give their full support to the Youth Camp programs—both Riverside and Beulah—this summer can be a banner year in both Camps. Let's make it so!

Perhaps, pastor, one of the following ideas would work in your church:

1. Recommend that the Sunday School be responsible for paying the way of at least one camper from your church.
2. Ask for a special "Youth Camp Offering" that would assist a number of youth to attend Camp who otherwise could not afford it.
3. Ask for a volunteer among the laymen of the church who would be willing to drive a carload of youth to Camp.

L. K. Mullen

WHAT IS YOUR DIET?

By Rev. Karl Gorman

We hear, read, and talk much about dieting. Certain foods are advertised as being low in calories. Actually, the proper diet is as important for growth and good health as for losing excess weight. This is demonstrated daily by the care with which food is chosen and prepared to meet the demands of a growing body. We must have a well-balanced diet for good health.

Our minds must be fed as well as our bodies. God has made us rational creatures. We are higher than the lower forms of animal life because of this ability to reason. Why spend so much time and effort in learning to read and write if we are not going to feed our intellect with the proper diet? The pictures, drawings, and simple games of the kindergarten soon are displaced by the alphabet, and simple arithmetic of the lower grades. In turn, these are displaced by harder problems and broader studies which challenge and educate the mind as the student advances in school. We young people ought to be feeding our intellect on the best! Why choose inferior reading or music when so much of better quality is available to us?

Most important, our souls must be fed. The new-born baby needs a diet of milk because it is unable to assimilate the solid food. Later on, as the body develops, the variety of foods that can and should be eaten increases. It is the same way with the child of God. The young convert newly "born again" needs the "milk of the word" in order to maintain life and promote spiritual growth. Later, the Christian should dig into the "meat of the word" in order to become strong and firmly established in grace. Young people generally exercise greater concern for the physical diet than they do for either the intellectual or the spiritual diet. Which is most important to you? Your diet tells the answer!

PREPARATION

The following is the editorial from the '56 edition of the "Torch." The "Torch" is the annual publication of Bethany Bible College in Yarmouth, N. S. This is only one of the extra-curricular activities in which the students at the college may participate. We trust that each member of our Young People's Societies will make it a yearly policy to purchase a copy of the "Torch" and thus support our college.

The subject which I have chosen for my editorial is that of preparation. There has never been a time in world history that demanded preparation more than it does today. The world is in a state of unrest. Communism is rampant. We may stand on the threshold of another world conflict. The signs of the times should cause us to consider the admonition of Christ, "In such an hour as you think not the Son of Man cometh." Knowing these things then we ought to be prepared; not only for the trials that will confront us in this world, but also for the day when "this mortal shall put on immortality." Let us then consider some facts relative to preparation.

PREPARATION REQUIRED: How well we students are acquainted with preparation, particularly at exam time. Without preparation we would fail. So it is in the other aspects of our life. Our success in the social, business, and religious realms that we move in is primarily dependent on the amount of preparation that we allot to each.

PREPARATION REPRODUCED: As we look at the lives of successful social leaders, industrialists, clergymen, and other professional men we are seeing the product of thorough preparation. The Bible also tells us of men who prepared their hearts to seek God. Preparation was the key to their success.

PREPARATION REWARDED: The reward of preparation lies not only in the tangible prize that is won, but also in the satisfaction of knowing that one has done his best.

In conclusion I would ask this question: "Are you prepared for, not only this life which is here, but also for that life which is hereafter?" If God has called you to service, whether as a minister or a layman, you will need a place of preparation. Could the place for you be Bethany? May God bless us all as Y. P., and help us to be prepared.

Kenneth Gorveatte,

Torch Editor 1956

TIMELY ADVICE

Beware . . . lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; and when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God . . . And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth.—Deuteronomy 8:11-17.

THOUGHTS ON THE COVENANT

(Continued)

By Lic. Stillman Cameron

In all these instances there is present a strong and vibrant strain of dignity and greatness. The spirit is wafted to lofty heights. There is a consciousness that something wonderful, something stately, something magnificent is being enacted. Here is man agreeing with man; here is God negotiating with His people; here is Deity covenanting with mankind; here, indeed, is sacred drama! The solemnity that characterizes such covenants speaks of the fact that they are held in high esteem by the persons involved. The carefully planned procedure of the ceremony also suggests that the agreement is of paramount importance, and therefore it is shrouded in reverence and awe. Jacob erected a heap of stones as a constant memorial of his covenant with Laban. They feasted together and offered a sacrifice, thus symbolizing their mutual agreement. Therefore, if the ceremony be set in such veneration, of how much greater worth is that agreement which the ceremony makes valid.

The nature of a true covenant is such that it places the individuals under obligation to live by the precepts contained therein. Thus God bound Himself by the covenant which He made with Noah that the world would never again be destroyed by a flood. God never changes. The word of His covenant is immutable. Only man changes. He alone is guilty of breaking the compact to which he has alleged himself. Israel broke her covenant with God, but God was willing to write in their hearts a new covenant. Observe the loving kindness of God as He condescends to reconcile a wayward, backsliding people to Himself. "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant which I made with their fathers . . . which my covenant they brake, although I was a husband unto them . . . but this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people" (Jeremiah 31:31-33). What sublime language is this! What divine compassion!

(To be continued)

AN AFRICAN YOUTH TESTIFIES . . .

"First I want to greet you young people in the name of the Lord. I give thanks because God delivered me from my sins so much so that all the pleasures of the world mean nothing to me because there is forgiveness in my heart. I am now a child who walks in light that I might be as a shining roed to lighten those who are in darkness. I also need a thousand tongues with which to thank Jesus because he freed me when I was in darkness bound by a cloud of sins. The Blood of the Lamb has hidden them."

Gertrude Mtungwa

The King's Highway

News Of The Churches

NORTON, N. B.

Feeling that a report is due to the Highway as the year comes to a close, I will say God has proven his goodness again in many ways.

Lic. and Mrs. J. O. McKenzie Came to us for a meeting in February, although the weather was unfavourable, and roads closed at times, the Lord blessed those who were able to attend and souls sought the Lord. We greatly desire their soul saving ministry with us again.

Having had a meeting cancelled last fall, we thought it wise to have a second campaign, this spring. Rev. and Mrs. H. S. Mullen came to us in May. God gave us another blessed time with over fifty seekers at the altar. A number of the seekers were from Sussex.

Our Sunday School, Young Peoples Meetings, Prayer Meetings and Sunday Services, all have been greatly strengthened over the past year for which we praise the Lord. We request your prayers as we are again having services at Case Settlement where we had closed for the winter months. I am looking forward to seeing you all at Beulah.

In Him,
Jack Stevens

BEULAH CAMP DAILY SCHEDULE

- 6.00 a.m. Sunrise Prayer Meeting.
- 7.00 a.m. Breakfast.
- 8.30 a.m. Family Prayer.
- 9.00 a.m. Daily Vacation Bible School.
- 9.30 a.m. Love Feast.
- 10.45 a.m. Preaching by the Evangelist.
- 12.15 p.m. Dinner.
- 2.00 p.m. Preaching Service.
- 3.30 p.m. Young People's Meeting.
- 5.15 p.m. Supper.
- 7.30 p.m. Evangelistic Service. Preaching by the Evangelist.

On Sundays the Love Feast begins at 9.00 a.m. and the evangelist preaches morning, afternoon and evening. Sunday evening services at 7.00 o'clock.

DENOMINATIONAL DIRECTORY

For the information of our pastors and churches we list the names and addresses of some of our churches officers:

Alliance Superintendent: Rev. N. E. Trafton, 33 Corbett Ave., Barkers Point, N. B.
Alliance Secretary: Rev. H. R. Ingersoll, Sub. P. O. 13, St. John, N. B.
Alliance Treasurer: Rev. R. H. Parks, Harrison Street, Milltown, Maine.

Foreign Missions Treasurer: Rev. C. E. Stairs, 33 Pleasant Street, Truro, N. S.
Home Missions Treasurer: Rev. W. L. Fernley, Perth, N. B.

Bethany Bible College Treasurer: Rev. B. M. Hicks, "Bethany", Yarmouth, N. S.
General Fund and Superintendent's salary Fund Treasurer: Rev. R. H. Parks.

GRACE AND POWER

The graces of the Spirit ought to be richly revealed in our lives; the power of the Spirit ought to be mightily manifested in our work. It is the privilege of every believer to be a man of power in service. Grace and power are both at our disposal; grace for living like Christ; power in working for Him.

—R. A. Torrey

The King's Highway

TIME TO PLAN FOR DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

As the season for V. B. S. draws closer, we begin to hope for one hundred per cent participation by our churches this season. With ninety-eight per cent of the juvenile crime being committed by youngsters who never attend Sunday School or V. B. S., it presents to us the challenge that we must keep our youngsters under religious instruction as much as possible.

It is true that it costs money, time, prayer, patience, and tears to have a valuable program of instruction for our boys and girls, but one soul is worth a world; thus our cost is very small when compared with the value of a child. Remember "a man saved is a soul saved, but a child saved is a life saved."

The aims of V. B. S. are to lead a soul to a personal acceptance of Jesus Christ as Savior, to guide the child in Christian growth and character, to teach the child to serve the Lord. Are you, as pastor and church, giving this guidance to your children?

This year we have two fine young ladies and several Bethany students who would like to help in V. B. S. throughout the summer. Miss Munro is a graduate of University of Maine and has been teaching primary children the past year. Miss Tidd is a graduate of Salvation Army Officers Training School and has done much work with children while at this school. The other girls are students at Bethany and have been recommended by Mr. Greene, the President.

To help these girls be better prepared for the summer, and to help interested children's workers in the local churches, a workshop is being planned during the regular alliance session. These classes will not conflict with the business sessions. We shall discuss V. B. S. work as well as organization of Junior Crusader groups. We would like to have a delegate from your church.

You can contact the available workers at the following addresses:

Miss Wilma Munro, Portland Street, Great Works, Maine.

Miss Aurlie Tidd, Wood Island, Grand Manan, N. B.

Miss Anne Brittain, Bethany Bible College, Yarmouth, N. S.

Miss Josephine Myshrall, Bethany.

Miss Ida Ripley, Bethany.

Mrs. Anna Breauette, Bethany.

Miss Cheryl MacMullen, Bethany.

Miss Evelyn MacGeorge, Bethany.

Miss Glenna Daye, Bethany.

Miss Bettina Crouse, Bethany.

God bless you as you train the little ones.

Sincerely,

Ruth Harding,

Bridgewater, Maine

A WORD OF THANKS

Will the many brothers, sisters and friends who so kindly remembered me by cards, letters and prayers, please accept my great appreciation for all they have done for me.

My health is fairly good at this time and I am looking forward to meeting many at Beulah. "God is the strength of my life".

Yours in Jesus,

Mrs. C. Sanders,

136 Victoria St.

Amherst, N. B.

HELP ADVERTISE BEULAH CAMP MEETING

A novel way to assist in advertising our Camp Meetings will be adopted this year. Posters that will fit over car bumpers are being prepared and will be available at 15c each. These can be attached to car bumpers a week or two previous to Camp Meeting opening, thus advertising the Camp wherever the car travels, as well as carrying the same as our people travel to Beulah. Similar arrangements will be made for Riverside Camp. These posters will be ordered through Mr. Donald Harding, 77 Court Street, Houlton, Maine. Let's co-operate with this new Camp Meeting advertising scheme. Churches could order in lots of a dozen or more as the need requires. Order your Beulah posters NOW.

REGARDING ALLIANCE MINUTES

Pastors are requested to appoint collectors in local churches for the Alliance Minute Fund. Minute books will be fifty cents each this year and co-operation is needed that sufficient funds be supplied to finance publication of reports received and business transacted at this year's Alliance Sessions.

ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be a workshop during the regular alliance session for all those interested in vacation Bible School. Please come and bring a notebook, pencil and any ideas you have.

There will be some instruction in the formation of Junior Crusader Clubs. Junior Crusaders is the name given to our own denominational children's groups, and includes all children between the ages of six and twelve.

These classes will be held twice daily, and will be approximately one hour in length.

Will each church please send at least one delegate?

ANNUAL ALLIANCE SESSIONS

The Sixty-eighth Annual Session of the Alliance of the Reformed Baptist Church will convene at Beulah Camp Ground, Wednesday, July 4, 1956. There will be a devotional service at 10.30 a.m. and the first business session will be at 2.00 p.m.

H. R. Ingersoll,
Alliance Secretary.

REMEMBER THE BENEVOLENT FUND

Contributions are needed for the Benevolent Fund, the source from which money is drawn to assist sick and aged ministers and ministers' widows. This fund also provides financial aid to the ministers' insurance plan. Will churches kindly send contributions to Rev. N. J. Rice, Doaktown, N. B.

Help Wanted for Beulah Camp

One Dish-Washer and several Dish-Wipers
Apply to: LIC. STEWART STEEVES,
WOOD'S HARBOUR, N. S.

Several Waitresses, also Potato Peelers
Apply to: REV. W. L. FERNLEY,
PERTH, N. B.

Any donations to the Hotel at Beulah will be greatly appreciated